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KC MAN INDICTED FOR PRODUCING, PASSING COUNTERFEIT MONEY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for producing and passing \$20 and \$100 bills.

Tyrone Pike, 34, of Kansas City, was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Pike** produced counterfeit \$20 and \$100 bills between April 2004 and Dec. 16, 2004.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Pike** passed counterfeit \$20 and \$100 bills between April 2004 and Dec. 16, 2004.

Pike was originally charged in a criminal complaint filed in federal court on Dec. 17, 2004. Today's indictment replaces that criminal complaint.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney John E. Cowles. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department, the St. Joseph, Mo., Police Department, the Leawood, Kan., Police Department and the United States Secret Service.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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